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NOTICE OF A PRELIMINARY DECISION PROPOSED AQUIFER PROTECTION PERMIT IRONWOOD NON-MUNICIPAL LANDFILL PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA

Pursuant to Arizona Administrative Code, Title 18, Chapter 9, Article 1, the Director of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) intends to issue an Aquifer Protection Permit to Waste Management of Arizona Landfills, Inc. for the Ironwood Non-Municipal Landfill. The Ironwood Non-Municipal Landfill is located at 12720 East Highway 287, Florence, Arizona 85304. This notice commences a 30-day written public comment period from September 11, 2008 through October 14, 2008.

The proposed permit allows construction and operation of the Ironwood Non-Municipal Landfill, including surface water channels and a stormwater retention pond. The proposed non-municipal solid waste landfill facility encompasses a total of approximately thirty-seven (37) acres and the landfill footprint occupies approximately seventeen (17) acres. The proposed maximum height of the landfill at final capacity will be at approximately 1,508 feet above mean sea level. The approved stormwater retention pond is sized to contain approximately forty-one (41) acre-feet of water and is located on property adjacent to the landfill. This proposed non-municipal landfill is located adjacent to the currently operating Ironwood Municipal Landfill.

The complete record is available at the ADEQ Phoenix Office at 1110 West Washington Street and may be reviewed from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding State holidays. To arrange an appointment to review this record at ADEQ, contact the ADEQ Records Center at (602) 771-4380.

ADEQ invites all interested persons to submit written comments concerning the proposed modifications. All written comments must be signed by the person making the comments and include his/her name and address. All comments must be submitted to ADEQ post-marked by the close of the public comment period on October 14, 2008. Submit your comments to:

Denise L. McConaghy, P.E., Manager ADEQ Solid Waste Plan Review Unit Department of Environmental Quality 1110 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007

ADEQ will review all written comments. If the Director finds a significant degree of public interest in the proposed modifications, or he finds that a hearing may clarify one or more issues involved in the modification approval, the Director will schedule a public hearing on this matter.